

## LCB Meeting Minutes

6/21/16

### Attendees

	Rosemary Beakes (excused)		Bitia Dayhoff	√	Maura Rossman
√	Tom Carbo or Tiffany Smith	√	Dawn Duignan		Gwynn Marsh-Armstrong
	Dario Broccolino or Kim Oldham (excused)		Gary Gardner	√	Louis Valenti
	Karen Butler (excused)	√	Pam Grady	√	Donna Wells
√	John Byrd	√	Tim Madden		Restia Whitaker
√	Phyllis Madachy	√	Edisa Padder		

*Staff:* Keri Hyde, Marsha Dawson, Kori Jones, Sucora Best, Valerie Harvey

*Public Attendees:* Carl Delorenzo, County Admin; Mike Demidenko, DSS; Cindy Privitera, MCF; Bob DeAngelis, HCPSS; Kenyatta Cully, MHA; Alaina Elam, Dept. of Corrections, Charmayne Anderson, public

***Meeting called to order at 8:45 am.***

***Introductions were made; Pam welcomed everyone.***

***May minutes were approved***

### Slate of Officers

The slate of officers was brought forward by Pam for vote: John Byrd, Chair; Dawn Duignan, Vice Chair. Lou Valenti motioned, Maura Rossman seconded; all members were in favor.

### Strengthening Families Presentation – Alaina Elam, Dept. of Corrections

Alaina provided the Board with an overview of the 11 week evidence based program being implemented at Howard County Detention Center. The national program is geared towards strengthening family bonds and improving behavior of children between the ages 6 – 11 years. Parent groups and child groups are held on a weekly basis. Priority for participation in the program is given to inmates participating in the addictions program.

### Announcements – Carl Delorenzo

- Effective July 1, 2016, the LCB will become an independent office. The focus will continue to be integrating services for children, youth, and families. The office will include a formal evaluation component and is seeking an Administrator with strong organization building skills, evaluation and programming skills. The Department of Community Resources and Services will provide fiscal, infrastructure, and administrative support.
- LCB was awarded the full base allocation from GOC; still waiting on word regarding competitive funding. Formal notification of award specifics to follow.
- The Office of Children and Family Services will focus on the county executive's school readiness and student achievement initiative.

### Board Member Updates

- Pam – Erica Barnes has been hired as Executive Director replacing Pam at Voices for Children.
- Donna – The interviewing process has started over for her position at MHA; the fiscal officer is acting director but will not be able to attend board meetings due to fiscal responsibilities. Donna requested that Kenyatta represent the agency until a new director is in place.
- Mike – Distributed information on the Howard County SafeCare Clinical Study designed for children birth – 5 years. It's an 18 week evidenced-based program that provides direct skill training to parents in the areas of parenting, child safety, and child health.

Meeting Adjourned 9:45